

BY HIS
HIGHNES COUNCIL
IN
S C O T L A N D,

For the GOVERNMENT thereof.

Whereas through the unsettled condition of Affairs in this Nation for some years last past, it was held necessary to Authorize the Persons who were appointed in the place of the Keepers of the Great-Seal, and other Seals of this Nation, to subscribe their Names unto such Writings and Evidences as ought to passe the said Seals; Which by an Order of the Commissioners for Administration of Justice to the People in S C O T L A N D, bearing date the Twenty fourth day of M A Y, One thousand six hundred and fifty two, was declared to be as sufficient and valid in all respects, as if the said Seals had been appended thereto. Now forasmuch as it hath pleased his Highnesse the Lord Protector, amongst other good things towards the Settlement of this Nation, to cause Seals to be made and sent hither for the use of this Nation, and Ordained his Council here to cause them to be employed for the use of the People therein, according to Law, and former Custom; And the Council being desirous that all persons concerned may take notice thereof, Do hereby Order and Declare, That whatsoever Person or Persons have had their Charters and Evidences passed only under the subscription of the Persons appointed instead of the Keepers aforesaid, and shall desire to have the Great-Seal, and other Seals now to be affixed thereto, shall have the benefit thereof G R A T I S. And the Keepers of the said Seals respectively, are hereby authorized and required to append the said Seals accordingly unto such Charters and Evidences as have been passed before the day of the date hereof, under the subscription of the Name of the Persons appointed instead of the said Keepers aforesaid: And to the end that the same may come to the knowledge of all persons concerned, The Council recommend it to the Commissioners for Administration of Justice to the People in S C O T L A N D, to cause these Presents to be publickly read in the Session House in the presence of the Advocates, and then to cause the same to be Registered in the sederunt Books of the said Court.

Given at EDINBURGH the Twenty sixth day of JUNE, 1656.

Signed in the Name, and by Order of the Council.

BROGHILL, President.

Thursday the 26. day of June, 1656.

At his Highnesse Council in EDINBURGH,

*O*rdered, That the above Order and Declaration be forthwith Printed and Published.

EMANUEL DOUVNING, Cl. of the Council.